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## Memorandum

TO : Director of Communications

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DATE: 20 July 1973

FROM : Chief, Communications Engineering, OC

SUBJECT: Quarterly Report - 1 April - 30 June 1973

Forwarded herewith is the Staff Communications Division Quarterly Report for the last quarter of FY-73. Also noteworthy is the fact that this is the last Quarterly Report to be published by the Staff Communications Division. The following items are highlights of our activities during this period:

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- a. The Satellite failed on 2 June placing the entire SKYLINK network in a non-operational status. We have reverted back to HF and commercial leases where necessary and business goes on while we wait for the next launch currently scheduled for approximately 1 November of this year.
- b. ACT-I, which was activated 12 March 1973 with non-Agency incoming traffic, has been converted to Agency incoming traffic, Agency outgoing traffic utilizing the OCR and finally on 24 April outgoing Telepouch traffic. With some minor exceptions ACT-I has become a reasonably reliable system.
- c. Following a senior level review of the requirement for the Cable Dissemination System, DD/M&S approval was obtained on 21 June 1973 to get on with the work of revising the specifications to incorporate recommended improvement in the system capability and preparing an RFP for distribution early in FY-74.

at the conversion of RED signal lines to low level MIL Standard-188C signalling is nearly completed. Construction of the building addition has been completed and the equipment will be shipped in early August for installation.

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e. The was awarded a \$825,000 contract for the design and fabrication of the first Automated Relay System (ARS) intended for installation in \_\_\_\_\_\_. The goal is to have this system operational by June 1974 and get under contract for two additional systems in FY-74 tentatively

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